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November 5, 1996

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CERTIFIED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Re: Naval Air Station Ft. Worth JRB/Carswell AFB (NAS Ft. Worth)

TNRCC Solid Waste Registration No. 65004

EPA ID No. TX0571924042

Hazardous Waste Permit No. 50289

Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 60

Request for Revised Approval for Actions To Be Taken for Project 94-7007, Normally Occurring Radioactive Material Removal, Dated September 23, 1996

Partial Closure Approval

Dear Mr. Rice:

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission (TNRCC) Federal Facilities Team received your supplemental report dated September 23, 1996, and received on September 28, 1996. The report states that radium levels observed in the soils at Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) 60, a Low Level Radioactive Waste site, are at or below background levels. As such, the Air Force's closure activities for the soils at this site have been completed in accordance with the TNRCC Risk Reduction Rules (RRR) Standard No. 1, pursuant to 30 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) Chapter 335 Subchapters A and S.

In order to attain RRR Standard No. 1, all industrial solid waste and municipal hazardous waste and waste residues must be removed or decontaminated from affected media (i.e., soil, surface water, groundwater, air) to naturally occurring background levels. We cannot approve final closure of SWMU 60 until the Air Force completes its study of background radium in groundwater. The background investigation was approved by the TNRCC in our letter of October 24, 1996. Once the Air Force has established that the groundwater at this site has attained RRR Standard No. 1, no further action will be required at SWMU 60.

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Please be aware of the continuing obligation of 30 TAC §335.8(b)(5), which requires the Air Force to conduct additional remedial activities in the event that a substantial change in circumstances at the facility, or area, results in an unacceptable threat to human health or the environment. Finally, 30 TAC §335.4 requires that persons associated with a site are under the continuing obligation to assure that municipal hazardous waste and industrial solid waste are managed in a manner which does not cause the discharge or imminent threat of discharge of waste into or adjacent to waters in the state, a nuisance, or the endangerment of the public health and welfare. A TNRCC field inspector may review your Final Report and may conduct a closure inspection of the site.

If you have any questions or need further assistance with this matter, please contact Mr. Geoffrey Meyer in the Corrective Action Section in Austin at (512) 239-2577, mail code MC127, or via the e-mail address gmeyer@tnrcc.state.tx.us.

Sincerely,

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